

Application No.: 09/869,650

Docket No.: 20459-00346-US

REMARKS

Reconsideration of claims 1-2, 4-7, 11 and 14-21 is respectfully requested. Claim 1 as amended is directed to a "process for the preparation of gas-actuated car safety devices" as originally elected. Accordingly, the claims as amended are directed to the originally elected subject matter.

Applicant also requests that the Examiner reconsider the restriction of claims 4-7, 11 and 19-21, directed to a gas-generating composition. As discussed previously with the Examiner, there can be no doubt that Applicant's invention lies primarily in the component make-up of the gas-generating composition, which is provided in the process of claim 1. As such, it is very unlikely that the Examiner will need to expand his search beyond the search necessary to examine claims 1-2 and 14-18.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 20459-00346-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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